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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
DIETER BOECKH, ET AL. ART UNIT: 1796  
SERIAL NO: 10/579,795 :  
FILED: MAY 18, 2006 EXAMINER: MRUK, B  
FOR: WATER-SOLUBLE COPOLYMERS :  
OF MONOETHYLENICALLY  
UNSATURATED POLYALKYLENE  
OXIDE MONOMERS AND  
DIPOLAR MONOMERS  
CONTAINING AT LEAST ONE  
NITROGEN ATOM

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.